

REMARKS

Attached is the requisite inventors' Declaration.

A Notification of Missing Requirements has not been received by the undersigned.

An Assignment for recordation with appropriate fee and cover sheet are attached.

The claims have been amended above, without prejudice, to advance prosecution by placing the claims in more traditional U.S. format and by deleting improper multiple dependencies.

A copy of the references listed on the PTO 1449 Form filed February 3, 2005 (except for Smith (2001)) is attached. A copy of Smith (2001) will also be filed in the event the Examiner does not receive the same from the International Bureau. Return of an initialed copy of the PTO 1449 Form, pursuant to MPEP, 609, is requested.

Acceptance of the attached formal drawings, or specific objection and/or rejection of the same, is requested.


An early and favorable Action on the merits of the claimed invention is requested.

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